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For: **ADHESIVE-FREE CARPET TILES AND CARPET TILE INSTALLATIONS**

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Examiner: Juska, C.

AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on July 30, 2002, please amend the above application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, **between** the title and the heading "Field of the Invention" **insert** the following:

--CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application claims priority to and benefit of commonly owned, co-pending U.S. Patent Application No. 08/743,376, filed on November 4, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 6,203,881, which is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 08/468,707, filed on June 6, 1995, now abandoned, which is a division of U.S. Application No. 08/205,834, filed on March 3, 1994, now U.S. Patent No. 5,545,276. This application also claims priority to and benefit of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/499,830, filed on February 8, 2000, now U.S. Patent No. 6,468,623, which is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 08/743,376, filed on November 4, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 6,203,881, which